REV. JAMES C. PATEY DIES IN WASHINGTON STATE

Rev. James Charles Patey, well known minister of Whatcom county, Washington, as well as Wayne county, died Nov. 30, 1950, at his home in the Wiser Lake district at the age of 81 years. He had been ill for some time. Born in Brikham, England, he came to the United States with his parents when he was seven years old. They settled in Wisconsin, but later lived in Dubuque, Ia., for 30 years, where most of his schooling was obtained. He was graduated from Epworth Seminary in Iowa and took an advanced teacher's course in a Pennsylvania school; later attended the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Ill., where he met his wife, the former Amanda Curtis, who was from Curtis Valley, Wayne county. They were married at her parents home on Sept. 28, 1899. He was serving his first church at Union City, at the time of their marriage.

With his wife, who was a licensed minister, he has served various churches and communities in Whatcom county, Washington, and prior to that time had held pastorates and done evangelistic work in a number of states from Pennsylvania, New York, South Dakota to West Coast.

Their first church after their marriage was at Blooming Grove, Pike county, where they organized and helped build that church. When a call for Christian teachers for Alaska was made, Rev. Mr. Patey responded and taught there one year while his wife and two children remained in Pennsylvania. More than 40 years ago, Rev. Mr. Patey went to Laurel Baptist church as its first pastor and worked in the Woodlyn and Wiser Lake districts as well. Later when their children were of college age, they pastored a church in McMinnville, Oregon. Here Mrs. Patey was active in W.C. T.U. work, and Rev. Mr. Patey also went into prohibition work. After this, they were in charge of churches in Enterprise, Oregon, Wilder, Idaho. and Hoquiam Wash., before returning to their home in Woodlyn district. For a number of years past his work has been with the Assembly of

He made a practice of memorizing a verse of Scripture each day and could repeat a large portion of the New Testament.

Besides his wife, Amanda, surviving, immediate family members are: one son, Henry Patey, of Boston, Mass.; five daughters. Mrs. Mabel Louise Haven, of Wasco, Ore .: Mrs. Ruth Needham, Lummi Island; Mrs. Viola Miller, of Portland, Ore., Mrs. Esther Forsberg at the family home and an adopted daughter of Boston; ten grandchildren. Surviving also are three sisters, Mrs. Hugh Smith, of Yamhill, Ore.; Miss Mabel Patey, of Neilsville, Wis., and Phillipia Linderman, of Dubuque, fd.; and three brothers, Sidney Patey, Neilsville, Wis.; William, Berlin, Wis., and Robert, Seattle, Wash. Funeral was held Dec. 4.

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